Legislation to control radiation hazards

. 2239. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PAN1C-KER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be please, j to state:

(a) whether Government propose to bring forward a legislation to control radiation hazards in the country; if so, what are the details of the proposal; and

(b) by when it is likely to be enacted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRJ K. R. NARAYANAN); (aJ and (b) Under Section 30 of the Atomic Energy Act, 1962 the Department of Atomic Energy have already framed "Radiation Protection Rules, 1971" to control radiation hazards in the country.

Purchase of Commando Copters from U.K.

2240. SHRl K. VASUDEVA PAN1C-KER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether India propose to buy commando copters from UK; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The helicopter shall be utilised for airborne deployment.

Young men and boys castrated to become Eunuchs

2241. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news reports 1589 RS -4 aspearing in the *Indicn Express,* dated the 13th October, 1986 to the effect that hundreds of boys and young men were forcibly castrated every year in the country to make them eunuchs;

(b) if so, whether Government have made any investigations against the persons who catch hold of the youths and get them castrated and the doctors who performed such operations; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken by the Government against such persons and doctors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF. PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects. Investigations of the cases referred to and action against doctors, if any is the concern of State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.

Vandalism around Bharatpur Bird Santuary

2242. SHRl M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) in view of recent vandalism by villagers living around Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary, whether Government propose to clear the area of the villagers by providing them with alternative accommodation;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and,

(t) if not, how the sanctuary is going to be protected from villagers and their valdalism?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI)'; (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.